Sri K. HANUMANTHAIYA.—The provision is there. The entire amount may or may not be spent. As I said, Government have thought of going slowly in this matter because I want the right spirit to be imbibed. The provision that has been made this year is very much less than what was given last year; and I propose to consult the Committee that has been constituted for the purpose as to the lines along which this amount has to be spent.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—Are the Government aware that this has given a long lease of life to the priestly class?

Sri K. HANUMANTHAIYA.—No, Sir.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—Is it not unscientific and irrational and against the Constitution of India?

Sri K. HANUMANTHAIYA.—That is the cross-examination that the Hon'ble Member makes about every good thing, Sir.

QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY

(But not taken up).

Darkhast Applications (Disposal in Chamarajanagar Taluk Office.)

Q.—40. Sri U. M. MADAPPA (Chamarajanagar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of darkhast applications received in Chamarajanagar Taluk Office during 1952-53 and 1953-54;

(*b*) out of them, the number of persons to whom darkhast is granted (yearwar information to be given)?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) and (*b*) Statement appended below.

Statement showing the receipt and disposal of darkhasts in Chamarajanagar Taluk during the years 1952-53 and 1953-54 (up to the end of December 1953).

Pending on 1st July 1952	Receipts			Total for disposal	Disposals			Balance on 1st December 1953
	1952-53	1953-54 up to end of Dec. 1953	Total		By grant	By rejection	Total	
154	350	144	494	648	76	458	534	114